

## HE WILL COME AGAIN.

Felix Morris Much Pleased With His Audience.

## IT KNEW WHEN TO APPLAUD.

Some Gossip About Mr. and Mrs. Morris—Other Theatrical News.

Mr. Felix Morris was very much pleased with his audience last night. The first floor was quite full and there was a fair representation in the balcony. The audience was composed of the most critical of theater goers in the city and they were all delighted.

"It is an intelligent audience," said Mr. Morris after the curtain had gone down on the first act of the second play. "I like to play before such an audience. They could see the fine points in 'The Game of Cards' and all audiences do not. I am well pleased with my first Topeka audience and shall certainly visit Topeka again."

Mrs. Morris is a little woman who played the part of the authoress in "Behind the Scenes," and joined her husband in praise of their reception. They are very pleasant people as well as good actors. Mrs. Morris is a particular friend of Miss Emily Rigg, who appeared here the first of the season in "Mr. Barnes of New York," and asked a great many questions concerning her. "She is one of the sweetest women I ever knew," she said, "and is a splendid actress. We were together fifteen years ago in Augustin Daly's company in New York City before she began starring."

"Miss Clarke, of our company, whose stage name is Agnes Paxton, is a Leavenworth young lady," said Mr. Morris. "We were there Monday night, and she had a splendid reception. We gave her the best part she had in our repertoire."

Mr. and Mrs. Morris were married fifteen years ago, and have been together in the same company ever since.

The audience last night was not prepared to applaud unless the play deserved applause. It was attentive and disposed to notice particularly each little point in the play and remark upon it. It is the highest praise to Mr. Morris and his company to say that the verdict was universally in their favor.

The curtain raised, "A Game of Cards," is a beautiful little piece, in which the character of the broken down French chevalier by Mr. Morris is well set. It was beautifully done, and in the character of the chevalier, who was neither a "proud nor a sensitive man," but who was both to an unusual degree, Mr. Morris' work was splendid. It could not have been done better, and the spectators agreed on that point.

"Behind the Scenes" is not really a good play. There was a chance for good work in it, however, and the company made the most of it. There are a good many points in the play that the author is to blame for, that, to use one of his own expressions, "would look better if you couldn't see them." An audience is always shocked in its sense of the fitness of things, when an actor comes down into the audience during the progress of the piece, and while it is doubtless belonged to the realism of the play it aroused criticism among the spectators.

All the parts were well taken in "Behind the Scenes" and Mr. Morris' part was one that gave him the full scope of his peculiar abilities. The setting was really all there was to the piece. As the father of the aspirant for stage honors he exhibited the tact that could only come of a Frenchman who was not too proud nor sensitive. The character is equal to any emergency that battery or tact will overthrow and in the rehearsal scene when the debutante fails to ignore the proper emphasis to a scream and he pinches her to compel it the applause was instantaneous. There are several little surprises like that in the piece and they always caught on. When the real actress returns after refusing to play and insists on going on at the critical moment after the old man's daughter has been accepted, he rings up the curtain himself and pushes his daughter on where she scores a big success.

While Mr. Morris' audience was not so large as it should have been, it has been demonstrated that Topeka will go to town and it is to be hoped that Mr. Crawford will get more like Felix Morris. Mr. Morris will finish the week at the Coates' opera house in Kansas City and will then go to Indianapolis, thence to New Orleans. The three nights Mr. Morris gave to Leavenworth, Atchison and Topeka were off nights because he did not want to spend the entire week in Kansas City.

The Grand will be dark the rest of this week but will be open again on Monday night, when Charles A. Loder will hold the stage in the musical farce comedy

"Oh! What a Night." The piece as presented this year is said to be filled with new and sparkling witticisms, songs, dances, catchy music, trio and quartette singing, and abounds in merriment by quite a large company of farce comedy people. "Oh! What a Night" is announced as being written by Mr. Fred S. Gibbs, author of "A Kentucky Girl," "Voodoo," and other successful plays. Mr. Banks Winter, the popular descriptive tenor, who is the author of "White Wings," is a member of the "Oh! What a Night" company, and should add much attractiveness to the production.

## TOM WATSON AND BLACK.

A Method Proposed to Unearth the Fraudulent Votes.

ATLANTA, Ga., Nov. 15.—Mr. Watson has made a proposition to purge the ballot of illegal votes, which has obtained the attention of Congressman Black.

The following correspondence explains the offer:

ATLANTA, Ga., Nov. 10, 1894.—Editor Chronicle: I received this afternoon about half-past 5 o'clock, a copy of the McDuille Journal, containing the following:

"For the purpose of putting an end to the terrible state of affairs in the South district, I propose to Major Black that we appoint a commission to purge the ballot boxes of all illegal votes, wherever found."

"If it appears that I am the choice of a majority of the legal voters, then Mr. Black is to surrender the seat to me. If it appears that he is the choice of a legal majority, then I will not contest his seat, nor will I ever be a candidate again."

"The commission can be made up of two men chosen by me, two by him and a fifth chosen by the four."

"THOMAS E. WATSON.

"No one surpasses me in the desire to restore good feeling among the people of this district, nor am I willing to represent them in Congress unless I am entitled to the seat. If I have the right to depart from the method prescribed by law, I stand ready at any time to join in any proper plan to eliminate all illegal ballots cast in any county in the district. But at first view there seem to be serious legal and practical obstacles to the attainment of this desirable end by the particular method proposed by Mr. Watson."

## GOOD THINGS, FOR OTHERS.

Postmasters Recently Appointed. Want Civil Service Law suspended for a Time.

WASHINGTON, Nov. 15.—Many requests are received at the postoffice department from postmasters from all over the country asking that certain offices included in the recent civil service order be excepted from its operation for a short time.

It appears, according to many of them, that the postmasters appointed since the new administration came into power have not yet had time to fill the offices under them with their party friends, and by the new extension they are deterred from selecting chief clerks and other officers who have heretofore been considered party patronage places.

These letters have been very numerous but to each the reply is made that the president only can except any office from the operations of the new order, and that it is not very probable that he would be willing to do so. Some of the requests ask when the order will take effect, the supposition being that some time in the future was designated.

It is now known, however, that this very question came up in a recent cabinet meeting and it was determined that the order went into effect the day it was signed. The correspondence thus far received at the postoffice department shows that there are a great many places affected by the order and considerable dissatisfaction in many postoffices.

## DENVER'S STRANGLERS.

The Residents of the District. Operated in Preparing to Leave.

DENVER, Col., Nov. 15.—Although many detectives are working upon the Market street strangling cases, the stranger is still at large and the terror his operations have so far been confined to making preparations to move. Several have already left the city.

Richard Denady, whose mistress, Lena Tapper, was the stranger's first victim, is held under \$5,000 bail on suspicion. The police hold the theory that he murdered Lena Tapper, killed Marie Contassot because she could give damaging testimony against him and finally strangled Kiku Oyama in order to avert suspicion from himself.

## WALTER VROOMAN SCORED.

Archbishop Corrigan Says His Charges are Absolutely False.

NEW YORK, Nov. 15.—Archbishop Corrigan today dictated the following message in reply to the charges made by the Rev. Mr. Vrooman, published in a Baltimore paper this morning:

"I beg to say the statements of Walter Vrooman, as far as they relate to me are unmitigated falsehoods."

"Firstly, I knew absolutely nothing of the advice given to voters by the junior clergy of the Church of the Sacred Heart in this city until I read it in the newspapers. Neither by word, letter, nor in any other way, directly or indirectly, did I 'exhort' much less 'force' those of any other priests or this diocese to offer any advice to their parishioners regarding the elections."

"Secondly, I have no ally with Tammany Hall, nor any other political organization in this city."

"I am, dear sir, 'Respectfully yours, 'M. A. CORRIGAN.'"

Floods on Island of Cyprus. LARNACA, Island of Cyprus, Nov. 15.—The seaport town of Limasol on this island has sustained much damage through the recent floods during which twenty-three persons were drowned.

An Iowa Town Wiped Out. MASON CITY, Ia., Nov. 15.—The town of Sheffield, fifteen miles south of here on the Iowa Central railroad, was totally destroyed by fire last night. Loss \$100,000.

## Some of Our Business Promoting Specials FOR THE WEEK.

Read Them Deliberately. It Will Benefit You in Dollars and Cents.

**617 Kans. Ave.**

Ladies' White Merino Vests and Pants, fine quality, silk finished, actual value 65c.

**Special 42½c.**

Cream Oatmeal Soap, a fine toilet article, worth 10c a cake. Our Special price

**3 Cakes for 12½c.**

**S. S. Barnum & Co.**

**619 Kans. Ave.**

Unbleached Cotton Flannel, our great pride. Extra heavy, close twill, thick fleece, such a quality as you have got at 12½c.

**Special 8½c.**

Children's Ribbed Wool Hose, all sizes, from 5 to 8½; actual value 25c.

**Special 17½c.**

Ladies' Fleece Lined, Fast Black Hose, sold at 25c everywhere.

**Special 18c.**

Yard wide Bleached Muslin, a quality generally retailed at 7½c.

**Special 5c.**

**Men's Pants.**

Grey Stripe Wool Kersey Pants, worth \$2.75.

**Special \$1.98.**

Neat Patterns in Cassimere Pants for business wear, real value \$3.50 and \$3.75.

**Special \$2.48.**

Strictly All Wool Pants in fine hairline stripes, never sold under \$4.50 and \$5.00.

**Special \$3.50.**

Bed Comfortables, large size, worth \$1.05.

**Special \$1.25**

Ladies' Wool Seamless Hose, a good 25c article.

**Special 19c.**

Men's All-Wool, Heavy Scotch Gloves. Retail everywhere at 50c.

**Special 35c.**

Men's Camel's Hair Underwear, soft, fine and heavy. Finished with ribbed bottoms, anklets and cuffs. Cheap at \$1.25.

**Special 98c.**

**Boys' Cape Overcoats.**

In Choice Dark Effects. Regular prices \$3.50 and \$4.00.

**Special \$2.98**

\$2.50 Overcoats without Capes

**Special \$1.48**

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**Special \$1.98**

Men's Leather Gloves. A new kind, which we will guarantee absolutely FIRE PROOF.

**\$1.00 a pair.**

Will give the wear of two ordinary pairs of that price.

You can buy 50c Underwear anywhere, but please examine ours and you will pronounce it ahead of all others at the price, in weight, quality and finish.

All-Wool Shrunken Mittens, selling elsewhere at 25 cents.

**Special 13c.**

Men's or Boys' sizes.

Men's Scarlet Shirts and Drawers, absolutely all wool and very fine knit, really worth \$1.25. Our

**Special Price 95c.**

**Men's Overcoats and Ulsters.**

Chinchilla Overcoats, worth \$7.50 and \$8.00.

**Special \$4.95.**

Beaver Overcoats, worth \$10 and \$11.00.

**Special \$7.50.**

Finest Kersey Overcoats, worth \$15.00 and \$16.50.

**Special \$12.50.**

Men's Dark Frieze Ulsters, Cassimere Lined, worth \$12.50 and \$13.50.

**Special \$9.00.**

Children's Natural Wool Underwear.

Sizes 16, 18, 20 and 22, worth 25c.....**SPECIAL 18c**

Sizes 24, 26, 28, worth 35c.....**SPECIAL 25c**

Sizes 30, 32, 34, worth 45c.....**SPECIAL 35c**

11-4 White, strictly pure scoured Wool Blankets, very heavy and soft. Real value \$0.50.

**Special \$5.**

Ladies' Natural Wool Mixed Vests and Pants. A splendid 60c quality.

**Special 48c.**

## BJORNSSON ON CHINA.

He Says the War Has Made No Impression on the People.

SAN FRANCISCO, Nov. 15.—Einar Bjornsson of Shanghai, China, is in San Francisco enroute to Rome, Italy, where his father, the Norwegian novelist, is. Mr. Bjornsson is an officer of the Chinese custom service and has for eight years been detailed in that capacity to the various Chinese ports, as well as those of Japan and Korea. His acquaintance is extended in official circles.

Mr. Bjornsson explains the present inactivity of the Chinese government as being due to the desire of the nation to celebrate the birthday of the emperor, which was on November 10th last. For two years the government had been gathering funds for the occasion. All of the provincial officials had been instructed to prepare gifts and collect sums of money to be taken to Peking as offerings to the emperor.

When disaster overtook the Chinese forces in Korea the whole purpose of the government changed to the defensive and the paramount wish was to keep Peking safe from invasion and capture. It was decided that the birthday ceremonies and decorations should be confined to Peking and all the soldiers of the empire were massed to preserve the capital.

"As to operations in the near future," said Mr. Bjornsson, "I know that the Chinese government strongly desires to avoid humiliation in negotiating with Japan and if the national pride is too seriously affronted I do not think the war will end very soon. China cares

very little for Corea but the Coreans during three thousand years have drawn all their civilization, official counselors, literature and art from China and look upon that nation almost as a mother country. China is willing that Corea should become independent and be self governed and I think the Chinese government would be willing to pay an indemnity to Japan but the opinion is conjectural.

"The war has made no impression on the Chinese people, few of them know a war has been in progress and most of them care nothing at all about it. In Japan the chance of war was seized upon as a political move, which might confirm the present mikado and his immediate friends of the Satsuma, Josei clans. Japan is weeding foreigners out of official positions. It is the intention that every post shall be filled by a native and that the government shall be conducted by them alone."

No Tangible Improvement in Iowa. CLEVELAND, Ohio, Nov. 15.—The Iron Trade Review today says: The sentimental improvement in the iron trade resulting from the election has not developed into anything more tangible yet. It does not seem to be sufficient to offset that showing that comes as the end of the year approaches.

Buy Furman's \$3 Fine Shoe.

Judge Z. T. Hazen is today working on the district court docket, assigning cases for trial. None of the cases set for today were tried.

Try Furman's \$3 Warranted Shoe.

## SAVED THE DOG.

Mr. Gilchrist Beat the Dog Catcher But Gets Into Police Court.

Mr. Miller, dog catcher, is in it again. That is, he has been allowing his official fondness for other people's canine property to entice him into police court. He is the plaintiff this time, however.

Yesterday times were dull after the great political demonstration and Mr. Miller yearned for something to break the monotony of city life. He also took a club along with which to break anything else that might get in his way and need it.

Strolling softly up Jackson street near Seventh in his frock coat and his jaunty, happy style looking for wisenerwurst on foot his eagle eye fell on a yellow dog that was busily engaged in basking in the sunlight and purity of thought on the west side of the street. It didn't hurt the dog any so he didn't stop basking long enough to brush it off. Beside he hadn't a wisp broom with him.

Anyhow, Mr. Miller saw the dog. It was but the work of a moment for Mr. Miller to bound madly across the street and grasp that dog where it would do the most good and put a rope about his John Lawrence Sullivan neck. He was that kind of a dog.

Off to slaughter he would lead him; but Mr. Gilchrist, of which there are two, beheld the capture of his boon companion and flew wildly to his rescue. He broke the rope and the dog was saved.

This was more than Mr. Miller's official dignity, which he happened to have concealed about his person in such a way

that Mr. Gilchrist had not noticed it, could stand and he raised his club, tenderly and watchfully as a father should, and was about to see if Mr. Gilchrist's head was ripe, when the left wing of the neighborhood swung around and knocked the idea out of Mr. Miller's gray matter. But no matter.

Mr. Gilchrist was hauled up before the police court this morning and half an hour was spent in trying him and hearing Mr. Miller's side of the story. When Mr. Gilchrist took the stand he swore that he hadn't been there at all. This was a stumper, but it finally developed after a good deal of astonishment had thickened the atmosphere that the wrong Gilchrist had been tried and so Mr. Hungate and Judge Essminger went back and took a fresh start, substituting for J. S. A. W. as the initials of the defendant.

Judge Essminger decided that W. A. was guilty and fined him \$5. Mr. Gilchrist will appeal the case.

P. S.—The dog in question was not Gilchrist's trick bulldog, "Sam," the favorite of all.

The best \$4 Weltered Shoe at Furman's. Adventurer Clark Arrested. DENVER, Col., Nov. 15.—Clarence W. Clark, the adventurer, who eloped with Mrs. Gertrude Hutchins, was arrested today at Castle Rock, Col., and brought back to Denver tonight by Detective Clark. His wife came back with him. Clark is charged with stealing money from a Miss Elliott, just before his marriage.

Boys \$2 Wearwell Shoes at Furman's

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